



## I-5 – South King County Projects Update

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#### Federal Way I-5 Night Lane Closures

#### Northbound I-5, Monday through Thursday nights (May 2-5)

- Three lanes will be closed from **Porter Way to Highway 161**. The first lane closes at 7 p.m., the second at 10 p.m., and the third at 11 p.m.
- All northbound lanes will reopen by 5 a.m. each following morning.

#### Northbound I-5, Wednesday and Thursday nights (May 4-5)

- Three lanes will be closed from **S. 320<sup>th</sup> Street to Military Road**. The first lane closes at 6 p.m., the second at 7 p.m. and the third at 11 p.m.
- All northbound lanes will reopen by 5 a.m. each following morning.

Monday through Thursday nights (May 2-5), no lane closures are scheduled on **southbound** I-5. Please see below for southbound I-5 weekend lane closure information.

### Federal Way I-5 Weekend Pavement Replacement

This weekend (Friday, May 6 – Monday, May 9), we are planning to close two to three lanes of southbound I-5 from S. 336<sup>th</sup> Street (just north of Highway 18) to the Pierce County Line. Two lanes will be closed around the clock Friday night to Monday morning, and we'll close a third lane each night.

- The first southbound I-5 lane will close at 9 p.m. Friday, May 6.
- A second southbound I-5 lane will close at 11 p.m. Friday.
  - o These two southbound I-5 lanes will remain closed until 5 a.m. Monday, May 9.
- A third southbound I-5 lane will close:
  - o 11 p.m. Friday to 6 a.m. Saturday, and
  - o 11 p.m. Saturday to 6 a.m. Sunday
- All southbound I-5 lanes will reopen by 5 a.m. Monday, May 9.

These closures are required for crews to replace 52 badly damaged concrete panels in the safest and most efficient manner possible. For more information, please visit the <u>I-5 HOV Widening</u> Web site.

No lane closures are scheduled for southbound I-5 in Seattle this weekend (see below).

#### **Seattle I-5 Weekend Pavement Replacement**

Rain forecasts forced crews to postpone the second weekend of the southbound I-5 makeover in downtown Seattle. The next weekend of work is scheduled for May 13-16. Crews will not work on the James to Olive project this coming weekend (May 6-9) because construction would conflict with the opening of boating season and other events that will draw large crowds through Seattle.

Crews completed the first weekend of the makeover April 22-25. Three weekends of work remain. For the latest information on these closures, weather delays or other late-breaking news, please visit the <u>James to Olive paving project Web site</u>. There you can also sign up for e-mail updates specific to I-5 in Seattle.

### **Highway Advisory Radio Survey**

You're invited to take part in a short survey about our highway advisory radio project updates, which we broadcast on AM 1520 on I-5 in Federal Way. You can view an <u>archive of past scripts</u> on our Web site.

Please send your answers to <a href="mailto:Johnsol@wsdot.wa.gov">Johnsol@wsdot.wa.gov</a>. We look forward to your responses!

- 1. How often do you drive on I-5 through Federal Way?
- 2. How often have you listened to any highway advisory radio (HAR) anywhere in Washington?
- 3. How often have you listened to our HAR in Federal Way since we started broadcasting in September 2004?
- 4. What do you like best about the I-5 South King County HAR messages?
- 5. What do you like least about the I-5 South King County HAR messages?

# Construction Update: I-5 - S. 317<sup>th</sup> HOV Direct Access

Crews are hard at work removing pavement at the former location of the southbound I-5 exit to S. 320<sup>th</sup> (just to the east of the ramp's new location). We'll place new pavement here and then shift southbound I-5 mainline traffic off the temporary roadway onto the new pavement sometime in the next couple of months.

Pavement improvements continue on northbound and southbound I-5 between Military Road and S. 320<sup>th</sup>. For the past couple of months, we've been closing three southbound lanes in this section of I-5 each weeknight. However, because this week's work will occur behind barrier east of the S. 320<sup>th</sup> exit ramp, we'll be able to keep the southbound lanes open nightly.

Workers are placing steel on the S. 317<sup>th</sup> bridge deck. We began pouring concrete for the bridge deck widening on the northbound I-5 bridge over Military Road.

Please visit our Web site to view the <u>latest construction photos</u>.

#### **Construction Update: I-5 HOV Widening**

Last week, crews ground pavement on northbound I-5 between the Pierce County Line and S. 375<sup>th</sup>. We also sawcut the concrete pavement panels that we're going to replace this coming weekend.

Continuing work includes clearing for new detention ponds, re-striping lanes to prepare for freeway widening, and installing devices to protect the environment during construction.

Please visit our brand new photos page for the I-5 HOV Widening Project.

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